



# ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

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S U P P O R T I N G T A L E N T E D A T H L E T E S T H R O U G H E D U C A T I O N

## Invitation to participate in 2018 Year 7 Targeted Academic Program testing

Dear Parent/ Guardian

As you would be aware, Illawarra Sports High School has one Targeted Academic Program (TAPS) class in each year group (Year 7 to 10). These classes participate in various extension activities including explicit instruction on study skills and thinking skills, project based learning excursions and whole day special interest workshops in creative writing, technology and mathematical reasoning. TAPS teachers meet regularly to discuss extension activities and parents are invited to a special TAPS showcase at the end of each year.

Your son/daughter is invited to participate in the AGAT (ACER General Ability Test) that will be conducted at Illawarra Sports High School, Week 5, Monday 22nd May Term 2, **9am-10.30am** to assess their suitability for the 2018 Year 7 TAPS class. The test will assess student literacy, numeracy and analytical skills and will be used (in conjunction with primary teacher information and NAPLAN data) to decide on class placement. Each student will receive written feedback on their performance in the test and they are not required to study for the test. **Please note that participation in the TAPS test does not guarantee a place in the class.**

If you would like your son/daughter to participate in this test, please complete the permission slip and return it to the front office of Illawarra Sports High School by **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May.**

Yours faithfully

Raechel McCarthy

(Principal Illawarra Sports High School)

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### Permission Slip for 2018 Year 7 Targeted Academic Program testing

I \_\_\_\_\_ give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Year 7 TAPS test week 5 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Term 2 at Illawarra Sports High School from 9am-10.30am.

I understand that **participation in the TAPS test does not guarantee a place in the class for my child.**

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_